

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 14(A)(2)

TO: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: May 3, 2016

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution declaring the month
of May beginning in May 2016
and each year thereafter as Asian
American and Pacific Islander
Heritage Month

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Chairman Jean Monestime.



Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney



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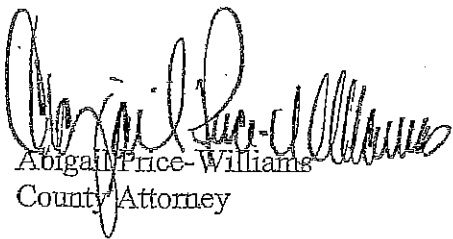


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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Statement of social equity required
- ☒ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☐ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's _____, 3/5's _____, unanimous _____) to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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5-3-16

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF MAY
BEGINNING IN MAY 2016 AND EACH YEAR THEREAFTER
AS ASIAN AMERICAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER
HERITAGE MONTH

WHEREAS, on October 5, 1978, President Jimmy Carter signed a resolution designating the first 10 days of the month of May as Asian-Pacific Heritage Week; and

WHEREAS, the date was chosen in recognition of the arrival of the first Japanese immigrants to the United States on May 7, 1843 and the completion of the transcontinental railroad on May 10, 1869, whose work force was primarily comprised of Chinese laborers; and

WHEREAS, in 1990, the United States Congress voted to expand the celebration of Asian-Pacific Heritage Week to a month long celebration during the month of May and in 1992, the month of May was officially designated as Asian-Pacific Heritage Month, which now is recognized as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month; and

WHEREAS, Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month celebrates the accomplishments of Asian Americans, Native Hawaiians and Pacific Islanders and the many ways they have contributed to building and enriching our Nation; and

WHEREAS, despite a long history of injustice and opportunity limiting laws, such as the Chinese Exclusion Act of 1882 and Immigration Act of 1924 and the internment of Japanese Americans during World War II, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders helped to build, defend and strengthen the Nation; and

WHEREAS, this Board celebrates the cultures, traditions, and history of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and recognizes and appreciates the talents that people of Asian American and Pacific Island descent have provided to help build this community; and

WHEREAS, this Board embraces the diversity that enriches our community and pays tribute to all those of Asian American and Pacific Islander ancestry who have contributed to government, sciences, arts, industry and commerce in Miami-Dade County,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

Section 1. Incorporates and approves the foregoing recitals as if fully set forth herein.

Section 2. Declares that the month of May beginning in May 2016 and each year thereafter shall be observed as Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

Section 3. Authorizes the use of cultural, historic and/or artistic exhibits, demonstrations or displays located in or at County owned or operated buildings and facilities in observance of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Chairman Jean Monestime. It was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Jean Monestime, Chairman	
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman	
Bruno A. Barreiro	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dennis C. Moss	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	Xavier L. Suarez
Juan C. Zapata	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 3rd day of May, 2016. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.



Shanika A. Graves